## FEDERAL AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

1. For subrecipients that are state or local governments, non-profit organizations, or Indian tribes

If the grantee expends total federal assistance of \$500,000 or more per year, the grantee agrees to obtain either a single audit or a program-specific audit made for the fiscal year in accordance with the terms of the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996.

Audits shall be made annually unless the state or local government has, by January 1, 1987, a constitutional or statutory requirement for less frequent audits. For those governments, the federal cognizant agency shall permit biennial audits, covering both years, if the government so requests. It shall also honor requests for biennial audits by governments that have an administrative policy calling for audits less frequent than annual, but only audits prior to 1987 or administrative policies in place prior to January 1, 1987.

## For subrecipients that are institutions of higher education or hospitals

If the grantee expends total direct and indirect federal assistance of \$500,000 or more per year, the grantee agrees to obtain a financial and compliance audit made in accordance with OMB Circular A-110 "Requirements for Grants and Agreements with Universities, Hospitals and Other Nonprofit Organizations" as applicable. The audit shall cover either the entire organization or all federal funds of the organization.

The audit must determine whether the subrecipient spent federal assistance funds in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

- The audit shall be made by an independent auditor. An independent auditor is a state or local
  government auditor or a public accountant who meets the independence standards specified in the
  General Accounting Office's "Standards for Audit of Governmental Organizations, Programs, Activities,
  and Functions."
- The audit report shall state that the audit was performed in accordance with the provisions of OMB Circular A-133 (or A-110 as applicable).

The reporting requirements for audit reports shall be in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accounts' (AICPA) audit guide, "Audits of State and Local Governmental Units," issued in 1986. The federal government has approved the use of the audit guide.

In addition to the audit report, the recipient shall provide comments on the findings and recommendations in the report, including a plan for corrective action taken or planned and comments on the status of corrective action taken on prior findings. If corrective action is not necessary, a statement describing the reason it is not should accompany the audit report.

- 4. The grantee agrees that the grantor, the Legislative Auditor, the State Auditor, and any independent auditor designated by the grantor shall have such access to grantee's records and financial statements as may be necessary for the grantor to comply with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular A-133.
- Grantees of federal financial assistance from subrecipients are also required to comply with the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133.

- 6. The Statement of Expenditures form can be used for the schedule of federal assistance.
- The grantee agrees to retain documentation to support the schedule of federal assistance for at least four years.
- 8. Required audit reports must be filed with the State Auditor's Office, Single Audit Division, and with federal and state agencies providing federal assistance, and the Department of Public Safety within nine months of the grantee's fiscal year end.

OMB Circular A-133 requires recipients of more than \$500,000 in federal funds to submit one copy of the audit report within 30 days after issuance to the central clearinghouse at the following address:

Bureau of the Census
Data Preparation Division
1201 East 10th Street
Jeffersonville, Indiana 47132

Attn: Single Audit Clearinghouse

The Department of Public Safety's audit report should be addressed to:

Minnesota Department of Public Safety Office of Fiscal and Administrative Services 444 Cedar Street Suite 126, Town Square St. Paul, MN 55101-5126